Chichester Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting

Minutes 10/9/19

Present: Zack Boyajian [Chair], Ansel Sanborn [Secretary], Ewen McKinnon, Jon White, Robyn Eldredge

Absent: Tom Jameson, Chris Baines

- 1] Chairman Zack Boyajian called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM at the Board of Selectmen's (BOS) Office and called the roll of the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) members.
- 2] After review, a MOTION to approve the minutes of 9/11/19 was made by Ewen and seconded by Jon. The MOTION passed with all in favor.
- 3] Two sprayings of the poison ivy next to the basketball court have been completed. As a next step, volunteers will be solicited to remove trees and excavate the area on the uphill side of the court.
- 4] Ewen researched the cost of a concrete cover for the well next to Bear Hill Road. Total cost will depend on a final measurement of the size required and the cost for delivery and installation.
- 5] As previously discussed, the remaining balance of the playground funds will be used to purchase loam, fertilizer, and seed to landscape the area around the new playground equipment. This work is planned for the end of October after the Trunk or Treat event.
- 6] Robyn announced that the company providing portable toilets for the park has changed. This change will result in a higher monthly cost for the toilets and a reduction in the months of availability. These issues will be discussed further as PRC develops a budget for next year.

7] Ansel discussed the possibility of updating the current 2010 Recreational Master Plan (RMP) to a 2020 version. A review of the 2010 RMP goals and objectives showed areas where work had been completed, areas where work was in progress or not begun, and areas where priorities had changed.

Since the 2010 RMP had been a product of a partnership of the PRC, the Chichester Conservation Commission, Chichester Central School, and the Chichester Youth Association, PRC felt that these partners should be invited to participate in the 2020 RMP update. A joint meeting will be planned for early 2020 with the partner groups to discuss this update.

In the meantime, PRC will contact the partners to describe the effort, invite their participation, and solicit updated information. More discussion of the RMP is planned for the November meeting.

8] One of the objectives not completed of the 2010 RMP was the development of rules for Carpenter Park. PRC believes that it is time to discuss and propose park usage guidelines. Potential areas to be addressed include: smoking/ vaping, trash, animal control, and hours of operation. Further discussion is planned for November.

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8] Robyn made a MOTION to adjourn seconded by Jon. The MOTION passed with all in favor at 7:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Ansel Sanborn, Secretary

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